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**Response to Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371**

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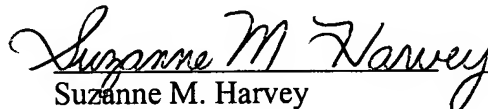
This paper is in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office, dated March 12, 2002. In the Notification of Missing Requirements, the Office has indicated that the Applicant has not submitted the Oath and Declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497 and has requested that the Applicant furnish same in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371.

The Applicants have enclosed the required Oath and Declaration. As such, the Applicants respectfully submit that the requirements have been met and request acceptance of the above-identified application under 35 USC 371.

It is understood by the Applicants that this paper requires no fee; however, authorization is given to charge any necessary filing fees and any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 23-0455.

Respectfully submitted,

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- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

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